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Earthquake detection tech can give city 90 seconds warning for 'the Big One'

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Grade 1 student Joseph Kim takes cover during an earthquake drill at Hollyburn Elementary School in West Vancouver in 2011. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Closures not on the to-do list

EDUCATION

Schools gifted reprieve after board firings

Matt Kieltyka
Metro | Vancouver

Vancouver schools are not on the chopping block — yet.

B.C. Education Minister Mike Bernier tried to reassure the public Tuesday, a day after firing the Vancouver School Board for failing to pass a balanced budget.

The school board initially proposed closing as many as 12 schools next year to bridge a $21-million budget deficit but suspended the process earlier this month to the chagrin of Bernier.

But the minister now says newly appointed official trustee Dianne Turner, a former school superintendent in Delta, has no intention to revisit closures as she comes to grips with running the troubled district.

"I know there has been a lot of questions around that," he said. "(Turner's) main goal is to bring stability into Vancouver.... She did confirm to me that school closures are not being considered any time in the foreseeable future in Vancouver. She is going to be very busy doing many other things."

Those include getting the VSB back on track financially and trying to convince six staff members to come back from medical leave amid a WorkSafeBC investigation into workplace bullying.

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DEVELOPED DIGNITY **EAST HASTINGS PORTRAIT WINS HOPE IN SHADOWS AWARD**
'Dignity' by Mike McNeeley shows Trevor Widen on East Hastings Street in Vancouver and is the winning entry in the 2017 Hope In Shadows calendar photo competition. Organizers of the event handed out 50 disposable cameras to Megaphone magazine's homeless and low-income vendors. The image was chosen from roughly 1,000 that were developed. The calendars are $20, of which the vendor keeps $10. MIKE MCNEELEY/HOPE IN SHADOWS

Government info is 'at risk'

CYBER CRIME

Security not in place for all mobile devices of employees

British Columbia's auditor general says appropriate security controls are not always in place for thousands of mobile devices used by government employees, putting sensitive information at risk.

Carol Bellringer also concluded after an audit between June and November 2015 that the government does not monitor mobile-device activity and has no central record of devices, such as smartphones and tablets.

"This is concerning because an inventory of all devices that have access to information is the most critical IT security control. It's pretty tough to control what you don't know about," Bellringer said Tuesday after releasing a report.

"Any loss, theft or exposure of sensitive government information to which these devices often have access could have serious implications for both government and the people of British Columbia."

Bellringer said inactive devices may be left unlocked for too long, leaving information vulnerable, adding that the same security measures available for personal computers over the last two decades are only now becoming available for mobile devices.

Her audit on security of mobile devices included the Office of the Chief Information Officer and five ministries — Finance, Justice, Health, Children and Family Development, and Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations — which have the highest privacy risks.

Bellringer made seven recommendations to improve security, including that the Office of the Chief Information Officer ensure that key initial security settings are applied before a mobile device is used.

Her report also called for an analysis of lost and stolen device reports for potential enhancements to security awareness programs.

Bellringer said the government recognizes the risks posed by the rapidly changing nature of mobile devices.

The Office of the Chief Information Officer began implementing her recommendations even before the audit was completed, she said. The office added a new mobile-device management tool, an important step towards automating the installation and maintenance of anti-malware, Bellringer added.

The Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner also released a report on mobile-device management on Tuesday, focusing on privacy.

Acting privacy commissioner Drew McArthur said the investigation conducted concurrently with the audit suggested the government needs to implement clear mobile-device policies because many were confusing.

"To keep up with the pace of technological change, privacy and security training for government employees should be offered on an ongoing basis and it must specifically reference mobile devices," he said.

"Government should also be careful to ensure that applications on any government-issued mobile devices do not store personal information outside of Canada."

Both offices produced 15 tips on how citizens can maintain security of their own devices. They say people should ensure that screens are locked, and that password attempts and location information are limited.

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Sensor to give 90-second warning before 'Big One'

EARTHQUAKES

Schools need to upgrade technology: UBC engineer

Wanyee Li
Metro | Vancouver

B.C. residents are bracing for the annual Shake Out earthquake drill happening on Oct. 20 and a new network of seismic sensors on the ocean floor will give people enough warning time to drop, duck and cover when the 'Big One' hits, says one company.

Oceans Network Canada installed two seismic sensors on the ocean floor off the west coast of Vancouver Island this summer and plans to install six more on the island this winter to create an early warning system for earthquakes. The network could give Metro Vancouver residents as much as a 90 seconds warning when a mega-earthquake happens, said ONC president and CEO Kate Moran.

"The alert can slow down trains, bring elevators down to the bottom of the building, stop surgeries, power down computer systems, provide kids in schools enough time to get to under a desk."

The sensors detect the primary wave of energy that comes from earthquakes. The primary wave does not cause any shaking — the secondary wave does and that one usually comes 30 to 90 seconds behind the first one, said Moran.

But it will be a few years before the network is complete with a sensor every 20 kilometres on Vancouver Island, she said. That kind of density on the west coast will provide enough information to allow scientists to determine the direction of the earthquake, said Moran.

"We want to get them as close to the [Cascadian] subduction fault as possible."

The ONC received $5 million in provincial funding to install the early warning system.

A major earthquake along the Cascadian fault is predicted to happen some time in the next 50 years but earthquakes can also happen along smaller fault lines closer to large urban centres like Vancouver, said engineer Kent Johansen.

The UBC engineer says those earthquakes, even small ones, can be just as destructive because of their proximity to people.

"There are faults everywhere...all the way in Squamish, near Gibson. They're everywhere."

Similar earthquake sensors are already in about 60 Catholic schools throughout B.C. but Johansen wants more schools to invest in them.

"Its just a matter of upscaling."

Grade one student Nikki Hessami, lower left, and grade two student Anita Zamanigohar take cover under their desks during an earthquake drill at Hollyburn Elementary School in West Vancouver, B.C., on January 26, 2011. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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HEALTH

Step up in cancer testing

A team of Vancouver researchers is launching a pilot project that may make cancer screening more effective and less painful.

If successful, the BC Cancer Agency project would be a game changer because the test is meant to detect multiple cancers all at once, which could eliminate the need for different tests for specific cancers.

The project, called the Cancer DNA Screening Pilot Study (CANDACE), will use a blood test to detect cancer in 1,000 healthy volunteers. Those that test positive will have their results confirmed with conventional cancer screening methods.

The hope is that it will detect cancers earlier and more accurately than mammograms and colonoscopies.

"[We] already have cancer screening tests that work reasonably well, but this would need to test better," said Dr. Alan Nichols, a radiation oncologist at the BC Cancer Agency and head researcher of CANDACE.

The technology could also detect pancreatic and ovarian cancers, which don't have routine screening methods yet, he said.

Earlier detection means more treatment options and better outcomes for cancer patients, according to a release from the BC Cancer Agency.

This technology, developed by Boreal Genomics at UBC, has already shown it is effective at detecting whether cancer DNA is present in patients who have been diagnosed, explained Nichols. It is currently used to confirm the effectiveness of chemotherapy and tumour removal surgeries.

If the CANDACE project is successful, there will be another study, with about 10,000 volunteers before health-care professionals can access it, said Nichols.

WANYEE LI/METRO

JUSTICE

Province defends women's prisons after scathing report

David P. Ball
Metro | Vancouver

Two B.C. ministries are defending the province's jails and courts after a scathing report issued them a failing grade on women in the justice system this week.

The report, released by the West Coast Legal Education and Action Fund (LEAF) on Tuesday, measured a variety of issues affecting women against recommendations of the United Nations women's rights committee.

The provincial correctional system, which holds inmates held for less than two years as well as those awaiting trial in remand, received an 'F' grade for what West Coast LEAF's Kendra Milne told Metro was "total failure" and inaction to tackle overrepresentation of indigenous women in jails, and a lack of independent health and safety inspections over 11 years.

In response, the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General told Metro that B.C. remains a "recognized leader in the field of corrections."

"We continually look for ways to improve our policies and procedures," the Ministry said in a statement, "with the goal of staff and inmate safety first and foremost."

In her report, Milne referenced a B.C. Ombudsman's report released in July calling on the province to improve inspections of prisons.

"It is important to note that BC Corrections has moved toward a more structured and scheduled inspection process over the past four years," the ministry added. "That said, we are committed to enhancing this inspection process and appreciate the Ombudsperson's guidance on how the process can be improved …

"BC Corrections has an action plan to implement the recommendations within the timelines outlined."

But the New Democrats' critic for women blasted the government for the state of provincial prisons, particularly for women.

"The 'F' for failing grade they received indicates what we've seen consistently with this government: they haven't taken the steps necessary to change outcomes for women who have any kind of contact with the justice system," said Maurine Karagianis, in a phone interview. "We have far too high representation of First Nations women in prison … and the existing policies around how women enter the justice system are often unfair and make it very difficult for women to seek other options.

The public safety ministry countered that it's "continually looking at ways to reduce the factors that contribute to the continued over-representation of aboriginal people in the justice system," including funding for Native court workers and an Aboriginal Justice Strategy in place in 34 communities.

Meanwhile, Minister of Justice Suzanne Anton cited more than $30 million a year in initiatives "that offer women and families solutions to their legal issues without necessarily engaging court processes," including Family Justice Centres and the Family Maintenance Enforcement Program.

"Access to justice for all individuals, including women, is a priority," she said in a statement issued by her ministry.

ICBC: 2,300 pedestrians hurt in B.C. car crashes annually

WARNING

Deadly season looms as police kick off safety awareness week

David P. Ball
Metro | Vancouver

Watch for jaywalkers. Look before turning right on a red. Don't squeeze between people on that crosswalk. And for crying out loud, put your damn phone away already.

Many of us have witnessed dangerously close calls between motorists and pedestrians. But as the region's most fatal average months arrive, authorities are pleading for people to hits the brakes on risky road encounters, seven-in-10 of which happen at intersections according to ICBC.

"Drivers involved in crashes with pedestrians are often distracted or fail to yield the right of way," said Delta Police Department Chief Constable Neil Dubord, who chairs the B.C. Association of Chiefs' Police Traffic Safety Committee, in a statement Tuesday. "These behaviours are not only against the law, they're simply unacceptable."

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> Chief Constable Neil Dubord, Delta Police Department

On average, 2,300 pedestrians are injured in traffic accidents every year in the province, and 59 killed, according to four years of Insurance Corporation of B.C. data. Seven in 10 of the injuries occurred in the Lower Mainland. The data, averaged over five years between 2011 and 2015, also show that just below half of those killed — 46 per cent — occurred from October to January.

Earlier this month, Metro reported on one of the three pedestrians struck in an Aug. 29 crash in Vancouver's Yaletown neighbourhood — in which two people in a Lexus SUV died after it careened at high speed onto the sidewalk.

At time of publication, Steve Yorke's online fundraising campaign to help cover his uninsured rehabilitation costs had nearly reached $20,000.

Although those behind the wheel are most liable for accidents involving pedestrians, police reminded foot-travelers they can help protect themselves.

On Tuesday, Vancouver police took to the city's streets near Quebec Street and Terminal Avenue to start their week of pedestrian safety awareness activities.

"Pedestrians can help stay safe by making eye contact, wearing bright and reflective clothing, and staying focused on the road," said ICBC in a statement.

The provincial agency announced it would hand out reflectors and safety tips across the province, as well as place transit and radio advertisements, targeting areas with "high volumes of pedestrian traffic." Likewise, North Vancouver RCMP kicked off its own three-month safety campaign this week by focusing on pedestrians "to help change the public's behaviour at intersections," the force said in a release.

"Both motorist and pedestrian behaviour must change, especially at controlled intersections," the statement said, explaining that the most dangerous October to December period was the result of lower-visibility weather including rain and fog, slippery road surfaces and shorter days heading into winter. Fashion was also partly to blame, the RCMP argued, thanks to "the reality that pedestrians do not wear any reflective clothing to make them themselves more easily seen by vehicle drivers."

The North Vancouver force singled out walkers who race to beat the crosswalk countdown clock to start their crossing. "The countdown clock indicates 'time to clear the intersection' NOT 'time to start walking'!" it said.

Disobeying a pedestrian signal or jaywalking — "fail to use cross walk" — can net a $109 fine, just $12 less than the penalty for driving through a red light.

Steve Yorke (left), one of three pedestrians injured in a deadly Aug. 29, 2016 car crash at Davie and Seymour streets in Yaletown — which killed two seniors in an SUV that careened onto the sidewalk — with his fiancée Kristy McLeod. An online fundraiser has raised nearly $20,000 for his rehabilitation costs. DAVID P. BALL / METRO

COURT

Group to take legal action over dam

An advocacy group has launched a private prosecution under the Fisheries Act against the B.C. government and a mining company over the disastrous consequences of the collapse of the Mount Polley tailings dam.

The legal action by MiningWatch Canada says the dam released a torrent of mine waste in B.C.'s Cariboo region, creating a new valley and permanently altering or destroying fish habitat, affecting 20 different fish species.

MiningWatch says in a summary of the lawsuit that it is taking action now because the Crown hasn't laid charges under the Fisheries Act.

"(MiningWatch) fears this inaction on the part of Crown sends the wrong signal to the industry across the country and undermines public confidence in the capacity of our regulatory system to work in an effective and speedy matter to protect the environment," the document says. The charges allege the province and the Mount Polley Mining Corp. violated the act that prohibits serious harm to fish and forbids the deposit of deleterious substances into fish-bearing waters.

None of the allegations have been proven in court and neither the provincial government nor Mount Polley Mining could be reached for comment.

In August 2014, The dam failed at the Mount Polley gold and copper mine, which is owned by Imperial Metals Corp. (TSX:III). Twenty five million cubic meters of wastewater and mine waste gushed downstream.

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‘Paradise’ will be paved

ASPHALT PATH

Fresh concern as city green lights Arbutus cycle corridor

Jen St. Denis
Metro | Vancouver

Some protested it amounted to “paving paradise,” but the City of Vancouver is now going ahead with its plan to put down an asphalt path along the Arbutus Corridor.

The plan had been put on hold following complaints from residents this summer, who were concerned about losing vegetation and were worried cyclists would go too fast on the disused rail line.

But city staff say that after hearing from just over 900 residents, they have decided to proceed with paving the corridor. The path will vary from a 5.5 metre-wide path split evenly between bikes and pedestrians on some sections, to a path that is 2.5 metres for bikes and 1.5 metres for pedestrians. A bark mulch path will be added to two sections of the corridor, which stretches from 4th Avenue and Granville Street in Kitsilano to Southwest Marine Drive and Granville Street in Marpole.

A rendering of the City of Vancouver’s plan to pave the Arbutus Corridor. CITY OF VANCOUVER

The path will vary because the city is attempting to keep costs to the $3 million budgeted for the project, and some sections of the right-of-way are narrower or would have to have steep sloping sides built up, said Lon LaClaire, director of transportation for the City of Vancouver. The path is a temporary plan while the city works on a long-term plan for the corridor over the next two years.

> **I don’t think they fully understand it doesn’t have to be paved.** Elvira Lount

In August, Metro reported that some wheelchair users and cyclists preferred pavement.

“Accessibility should be a given and my feeling was that that was the plan,” said Gabrielle Peters, who uses a wheelchair and was looking forward to exploring more of the corridor.

But some residents who live in neighbourhoods closer to the corridor prefer it to stay as a semi-wild pathway. Elvira Lount, a resident who is opposed to asphalt because of aesthetics and concern that the path could turn into a “bike freeway,” said that crushed rock could be an alternative.

While some wheelchair users she has spoken to said they preferred a paved path, Lount said, “I can understand that people in wheelchairs would prefer to have it paved, but at the same time, I don’t think they fully understand it doesn’t have to be — it’s an education process.”

Crushed rock paths are more difficult to maintain and while some people who use wheelchairs can navigate them, it does take more effort to push a wheelchair on crushed rock than asphalt, LaClaire said.

The City of Vancouver acquired the corridor from the Canadian Pacific Railway in 2015 at a cost of $55 million. It is zoned as a transportation corridor, and the city hopes to put a streetcar on the throughway at some point in the future.

IN BRIEF

‘No bikes’ on the Drive
In advance of community feedback sessions on the future of Commercial Drive, businesses on the historic street are firm on one thing: no bike lane. The Commercial Drive Business Society has collected over 5,000 signatures from customers for a petition to oppose the construction of a permanent protected bike lane on the busy arterial street. A survey found that seven per cent of customers had come by bicycle, compared to 32 per cent who had travelled by car, 37 had arrived on foot and nine per cent on public transit. JEN ST. DENIS/METRO

Mountie’s luring charge
A charge of child luring has been approved against a B.C. RCMP officer connected to video taken during a sting by a vigilante group this summer. Const. Dario Devic is accused of communicating for sexual reasons with someone he believed was younger than 16. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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A year after election Liberals still poll strong

POLITICS

Trudeau's personal approval in 60th percentile

Justin Trudeau's Liberals swept to power last October with a promise of a more open government that better reflects the values and expectations of Canadians. THE CANADIAN PRESS

It's been a year since Canadian voters took a leap of faith, placing a bet on deficit-financed government ambition after two decades of cuts, caution and small-c conservatism.

"Canadians have spoken," Justin Trudeau said late in the evening last Oct. 19 after a federal election that swept his third-place Liberals to office with a comfortable 15-seat majority.

Twelve months later, the Liberals remain ambitious and hopeful, even if their reach exceeds their grasp.

Whether it be driving middle-class economic growth and alleviating inequality, fixing First Nations' relationships with the Crown, putting the country on a sustainable path to a low-carbon economy, getting natural resources to world markets, or any of another half-dozen complex initiatives, the fairest assessment would be that Trudeau's lofty vision remains a work in progress.

The government's wish list includes leveraging private sector investment in a new infrastructure investment bank, unleashing the recreational marijuana market, plotting a clear path to Canada's 2030 emissions targets, hashing out home care and pharmacare promises and revamping the electoral system.

Yet multiple public opinion surveys by a cross-section of research companies have Liberal support consistently in the mid-40s to low 50s — an almost gravity-defying run — with Trudeau's personal approval ratings into the 60th percentile.

However, attributing the government's popularity simply to style is not the whole picture, argued Phillip Resnick, professor emeritus at the University of British Columbia.

Their big-spending first budget, which put the country on a path to a $30-billion deficit this year by broadly boosting middle-income family benefits, cutting middle-income taxes and committing billions for infrastructure, was a generational shift for non-recessionary times.

It's a massive fiscal policy bet that has yet to show dividends, said Douglas Porter, chief economist at BMO Financial Group.

"Arguably, it's too early," said Porter, pointing to the big Liberal "showpiece" Canada child benefit, which didn't kick in until July while the most recent GDP numbers only include August.

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EQUALITY

UN working group studying racism

Gilbert Ngabo
Metro | Toronto

A special United Nations working group is in Toronto this week to study issues of racism against black people — and plenty of people have plenty to say.

From lack of access to employment, justice and healthcare to the controversial issue of carding and deteriorating relationships with police, members of the city's black community aren't holding back about what needs to be fixed.

"What we have seen is a persistent experience of marginalization and systemic discrimination," said Ndija Anderson, a research lawyer with the African Canadian Legal Clinic.

The firm, which provides legal support and representation to African Canadians in race-based cases, is one of the groups hosting talks with the five-member UN group.

The group will also travel to Ottawa, Halifax, Montreal and other cities, talking with politicians, community organizations and activists. Recommendations born from what they hear will be presented to the federal government and the UN.

Ndija Anderson of the African Canadian Legal Clinic. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

The mission comes at a time when discussions about discrimination against black people have reached a high in Canada and the United States, with Black Lives Matter movements accusing police of excessive force.

Anderson said the bigger problem lies in "implicit biases."

"There's this pervasive notion of looking at African Canadian people as threatening or being criminals and lazy," she said. "As a society we have to acknowledge that we have a problem of systemic racism, and start working on strategies to undo that kind of thinking."

EDUCATION

Stop the Violence funds scholarship

Haley Ryan
Metro | Halifax

A new Halifax scholarship fund won't be based on grades or age but aims to help anyone reach their "full potential."

Quentrel Provo of Stop the Violence Spread the Love has launched a crowdfunding initiative, with donations going toward anyone.

Provo said after visiting many schools, he always hears students describing plans for after graduation that involve the workforce or jobs like McDonald's, since universities and colleges are out of reach financially.

Provo said he hopes to help young people "go down the right path rather than leaving them in that stuck position where they're either going to go into the workforce or they're going to go into the streets."

UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA

'Disgraceful' lewd pub crawl cancelled

An event that reportedly saw students at the University of Ottawa encouraged to perform lewd acts in exchange for points has been cancelled indefinitely as organizers apologized to anyone who was "negatively affected" by the experience.

The school's Science Students' Association, which hosted the so-called Vet's Tour earlier this month, called the event "ill-conceived" and "wrong," adding it "unconditionally condemns" any actions, attitudes and discourse that contribute to, promote or normalize sexual violence and rape culture on campus.

The university itself also denounced the event, in which it said some students were "encouraged to behave disgracefully," and said the incident is a reminder that sexual violence is a societal problem.

The statement from the university came after its French-language student newspaper published a report on a pub crawl where students were allegedly encouraged to rack up points by carrying out a list of activities, such as taking off their clothes and having sex with event judges.

The newspaper reported that the event has been a tradition for many years and many participants are involved in student politics.

It also quoted a past participant who said she signed up thinking it was just a regular pub crawl only to find herself pressured to take off her clothes and be groped by a teammate.

A source reportedly told the paper the event's slogan has long been "It's not peer pressure, it's just your turn."

The Science Students' Association apologized to anyone who "felt unsafe or pressured to do anything at any of our events."

The university, meanwhile, called on the campus community to help change what it called "such disgraceful behaviour" and stressed it has policies in place to prevent sexual violence.

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Last rumble before U.S. election day

UNITED STATES

Final debate promising to focus on issues

It was barely three weeks ago that Donald Trump opened the first presidential debate by asking, with faux deference, if it was OK to refer to his opponent as "Secretary Clinton."

By Round 2 he was back to calling Hillary Clinton "the devil." Here are some things to watch for in Wednesday's third faceoff in Las Vegas:

RIGGED

Trump in recent days has tried to deflect attention from the allegations about his sexual advances by complaining that the election process is rigged against him.

HACKED

Largely overshadowed by the allegations against Trump has been WikiLeaks' day-after-day release of thousands of hacked emails from the Clinton campaign. Trump has responded with a scattershot series of criticisms about "Clinton corruption."

LOOMING

The campaign took a dramatic detour last week when a series of women came forward with allegations about Trump's sexual advances. Trump's combative response, calling the women "sick" and "liars" and repeating allegations that there's a global conspiracy against him.

CIVIL WAR

With a number of Republican officials in open revolt against Trump, watch to see whether Trump gins up more discord.

FINGERS CROSSED

Policy wonks have their fingers crossed that neglected issues like immigration and Social Security will finally get an airing in the final debate.

IT'S BAAACK

Expect "fitness to be president" to return once again in Round 3.

MIND GAMES

Both candidates have tried to rattle their opponents: Clinton baited Trump by questioning his wealth and business acumen, while Trump tried to throw Clinton off by seating women who have accused her husband of sexual impropriety in the front row. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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ECUADOR

Assange's status still shrouded in mystery

Midway through releasing a series of damaging disclosures about U.S. presidential contender Hillary Clinton, WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange says his hosts at the Ecuadorean Embassy in London abruptly cut him off from the internet.

The news adds another layer of intrigue to a campaign that has been roiled by dramatic leaks and allegations of state-sponsored subversion.

Julian Assange AFP/GETTY IMAGES

"We can confirm Ecuador cut off Assange's internet access Saturday, 5 p.m. GMT, shortly after publication of Clinton's Goldman Sachs (speeches)," the group said in a message posted to Twitter late Monday. In followup messages posted Tuesday, the group claimed U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry had personally intervened to ask Ecuador to stop Assange from publishing documents about Clinton. Citing "multiple U.S. sources," WikiLeaks said the request was made on the sidelines of negotiations which took place last month in Colombia.

The State Department denied the allegation.

"While our concerns about Wikileaks are longstanding, any suggestion that Secretary Kerry or the State Department were involved in shutting down Wikileaks is false," U.S. State Department spokesman John Kirby said in an email. Speaking to reporters later, deputy spokesman Mark Toner said Kerry never even raised the issue or met with Ecuadorean President Rafael Correa during his visit to Colombia.

"There just was no meeting," he said. "They didn't discuss any of this stuff."

Assange has been holed up at the modest embassy suite at No. 3 Hans Crescent for more than four years after skipping bail to avoid extradition to Sweden over sex crimes allegations, a position which — until now — hasn't prevented him from continuing to play a pivotal role in exposing state secrets and backroom trade deals. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Giving back part of bottom line

ETHICAL COMMERCE

Customers choose firms that share their values

Cuddle+Kind donates 10 meals for every hand-knit doll sold. CONTRIBUTED/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Derek Woodgate didn't know it at the time, but seeing a documentary about childhood malnutrition would change his life.

He watched the film last year and knows it was the catalyst that helped push him and his wife Jen to start Cuddle+Kind, a company that donates 10 meals for every hand-knit doll sold.

Mark Schwartz, an associate professor of business ethics, said it's becoming important for companies to show that they care about more than just the bottom line.

"Over the years, it's become much more mainstream," said Schwartz, who teaches at York University's School of Administrative Studies in Toronto.

"The larger companies in the world, they really have no choice. All the industries realize that they have to be seen as giving back to the society and the community in which they operate."

He said customers may be more willing to choose businesses that share their same values or ethics, if all other factors, such as price, quality and services are the same compared to a competitor.

"There's a bigger impact when the contribution is more directly linked to the nature of your product and your service," said Schwartz.

> **The larger companies, they really have no choice.**
> Mark Schwartz

"If you buy a pair of shoes, and you know a pair of shoes is going to a child in the developing world, it would make more of a difference."

Derek Woodgate said customers like knowing that their purchase of a colourful hand knit doll also helps support fair wages for female artisans in Peru and also provide meals to Breakfast Club of Canada, World Food Program USA and Children's Hunger Fund, which feeds children in schools and orphanages around the world.

When brothers Kalen and Derrick Emsley started Tentree in 2012, their mission was simple: how could they make money to plant more trees?

They launched a casual clothing line that would plant 10 trees for every item purchased.

Four years and a deal on CBC's Dragon's Den later, Tentree now sells clothes in shops across Canada, the U.S. and Australia. In that time, it has planted more than 9.4 million trees, mostly in Madagascar and Ethiopia.

He said customers are willing to pay a few dollars more for their T-shirts, jogging pants and sweaters if they believe in the company's ethos.

Cindy Hardy named her soap business Joa Bath and Body because it loosely translates to "for good" in Korean.

The former legal assistant makes natural soaps from ingredients such as honey, lavender and oatmeal in her Ottawa kitchen and donates a bar of soap for every bar sold to women's shelters.

Since 2008, the company has given away more than 100 bars.

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FREE TRADE

Minister's Twitter hacked

The Belgian government says a profane Twitter message featuring a photo of former prime minister Stephen Harper is the work of hackers, not their foreign affairs minister.

Someone accessed the account belonging to Didier Reynders, using it to send a meme of an angry-looking Harper telling off Canadians, complete with the F-word. The subtext of the tweet appears to be the fact that a region of Belgium is standing firm in its opposition to the Canada-EU free trade deal, known as CETA.

A tweet from the department's verified account Tuesday said recent messages published on Reynders's account were not his.

The approval of the deal between Canada and the European Union countries has come under threat this week after the Wallonia region in Belgium rejected the deal amid fears its farmers could face cheap Canadian produce and that many of the labour standards they fought for will be swept away.

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Canadians split on carbon tax plan

ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION

Young people, wealthy gave strongest backing: Poll

BY THE NUMBERS

45% Gave a thumbs up to the carbon pricing strategy.

41% Don't approve of the carbon tax plan.

14% Do not have an opinion one way or the other.

Canadians have mixed feelings about Ottawa's new carbon tax plan, but tilt slightly more in favour — especially young adults and higher earners, says a new Forum Research poll.

Close to one half of those polled, or 45 per cent, gave a thumbs up to the carbon pricing strategy that was announced earlier this month by the federal Liberal government, it says.

However, 41 per cent don't approve, the survey found. It also revealed that 14 per cent of Canadians do not have an opinion one way or the other on the tax plan.

The majority of approval (at 52 per cent) came from the youngest people surveyed, those aged 18 to 34, while 51 cent of the wealthiest surveyed (earning $100,000 to $250,000 in annual income) were in favour, the study found.

Provincially, the strongest support came from Quebec respondents at 58 per cent, while the lowest support is in Alberta at just 26 per cent, the poll says.

A majority of the best-educated (post graduate studies) respondents, at 57 per cent, were also in favour of the plan.

The carbon tax plan had the highest support among Liberal voters at 65 per cent, followed by New Democratic supporters at 55 per cent. Only 11 per cent of Conservative supporters were in favour, the poll found.

"It is quite a victory for the forces of change to see approval for carbon pricing in a plurality position, and in the majority among important core groups like Francophones and youth," said Forum Research president Lorne Bozinoff.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau announced a national "floor price" on carbon two weeks ago that would require all provinces and territories to have some form of carbon pricing in place by 2018. The idea of putting a price on carbon is meant to give people and companies an incentive to look for lower-emission options to save money, the government says.

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EMMA TEITEL ON PRESS BIAS

Those frustrated with the U.S. election love to take it out on — who else —'the media.'

It doesn't matter where you live: Donald Trump will find you.

Not literally, of course. (Even if he is elected president of the United States next month, world domination is not likely in the cards for the Donald).

Rather, he will find you virtually, in your newsfeed and anywhere you browse online. The rabid Republican candidate's cyber-presence is so pronounced, in fact, some Trump-wary Internet users have begun downloading special browser extensions that have the power to literally erase all mention of the candidate from their Internet experience.

For those with a scatological bent, there now exists "Firewall Trump," a browser extension that turns all mentions of the candidate's name into smiling poop emojis.

But there appears to exist another more popular way to blow off steam among those frustrated with the U.S. election, a method that doesn't involve the downloading of name-eradicating browsers or the cursing of candidates. I'm talking about the excoriation of —who else —"the media."

Yes, the big, bad mainstream media, argue American conservative commentators like Dinesh D'Souza, is "Hillary's secret weapon."

This is familiar territory; every election cycle, be it American or Canadian, conservatives cry liberal media bias.

But what's astonishing this time around is how many liberals themselves appear to be convinced that media organizations are stirring up conspiracy and peddling scandal in the Trump-Clinton campaign when they ought to be focused on "the real issues."

I've lost count of the number of comments and posts I've seen from otherwise progressive friends on Facebook who seriously question the motives behind the media's reportage of Trump's bad behaviour and more recently the motives behind a New York Times article, in which multiple women allege Trump sexually assaulted them.

This mistrust isn't relegated to my own Facebook feed. Statistically speaking, people, both left and right, aren't too fond of media: according to a survey by the American Press Institute, 41 per cent of Americans "say they have hardly any confidence" in the press.

Perhaps then, a reminder is in order that when a candidate denies sexually assaulting women it's in the public interest for media to test that claim. Candidates make statements and media scrutinize and report on those statements; the alleged criminal behaviour of a political candidate is relevant to the democratic process, and it's the media's responsibility to cover it.

And for what it's worth, as David E. McCraw, lawyer for the New York Times, pointed out recently in a letter to Trump's attorneys, media didn't introduce the topic of Trump's alleged assaults and indiscretions. Trump introduced those things — chose to talk endlessly about them, in fact — on his own.

"Nothing in our article," McCraw writes, "has had the slightest effect on the reputation that Mr. Trump, through his own words and actions, has already created for himself."

I understand that many people are overwhelmed by the volume of Trump-related stories appearing daily across their screens. Trust me, I too am overwhelmed. But volume is not proof of bias. It's often proof that something is seriously wrong in the world.

That said I also understand personal aversion to media. We are, by and large, an insufferable lot of socially anxious know-it-alls; the kind of people who interject at dinner parties to offer kernels of sobering, fact-based wisdom nobody asked for. ("Well actually, I wrote about the housing crisis last month ...")

And yet, like parking enforcement, elementary-school lunch monitors and tax-collection agencies, we are a necessary aggravation, whose absence would be a far worse blight on the earth than our presence.

Without us, dangerous blowhards like Donald Trump would continue to crowd your newsfeeds all the same, only their error-ridden invective would go largely unchecked, and the "scandals" so many of us bemoan having to read about every day would cease to be scandals. They would be something far worse. They'd be secrets.

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Inclusivity is every sports fan's responsibility

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We all know sports teams have racist names.

Despite being asked repeatedly to drop them, these names abide. But now that jocks are more willing to talk about racism, maybe the time has come for teams and fans to look for more ways to bring everyone into the game.

Recall that before the Toronto Blue Jays' current playoff series, some media, including the Jays' radio broadcaster Jerry Howarth and Huffington Post Canada, said they wouldn't be using the Cleveland team's nickname. Then, on Monday, an Ontario judge declined celebrity architect Douglas Cardinal's request to ban the team's name.

I'd prefer not to use the name in this space, but suffice it to say that the team's mascot, Chief Wahoo, he of toothy minstrel-show grin and a feather in his hair, is pretty much a full-card jackpot in Is This Racist? Bingo.

Washington's NFL team, Chicago's hockey team, and Edmonton's CFL team are also being called on to change their racist team names. The pressure to find names that are both socially conscious and emotionally evocative can lead to awkwardness like the Ottawa Redblacks (isn't that just maroon?). That's not to mention all the nicknames that sound as though a committee of really bored and geographically confused people chose them. What is an Orlando Magic? Where exactly in Utah are the Jazz?

The push for dramatic but problem-free names can lead to names that are offensive to users of proper grammar. I'm looking at you, Montreal Impact. In naming and renaming sports teams, we could try the system used by international soccer teams. Jays fans are, after all, cultivating an English-style hooligan culture. So: What if Edmonton's football team was called, just spitballing here, the Edmonton Football Team? As a naming convention, it's not exactly inspiring but Liverpool or Chelsea fans don't seem to mind.

Such rebranding exercises would allow teams like Edmonton's and Cleveland's to learn important lessons about their fanbases. Anyone who was into your team because it had a racially flagrant name is maybe not a fan you want.

The rest of the fans will probably stick around through a renaming, and in the process they'll be given an opportunity to ask some overdue questions about what kinds of sports fans they want to be. It's not enough to be upset about a team's racist name, or even to support a change to a new one. Find out what it means to indigenous people who are #NotYourMascot.

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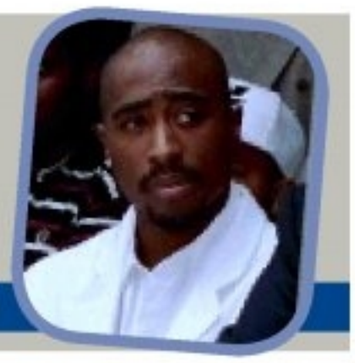

What to eat and drink on debate night

Need something to cleanse your political palate as you watch **Hillary Clinton** and **Donald Trump** spar on TV tonight in the third and final U.S. presidential debate? We reached out to Metro readers on social media and an expert, **Toronto Star food critic Amy Pataki,** to ask what food and drink pairings might help the sure-to-be bitter debate go down a little easier.

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YOU SUPPORT HILLARY CLINTON

FOOD
Ice cream is the perfect Clinton-themed snack, Pataki said, "because she stays cool."

DRINK
If you're with her, you should sip **red wine**, said reader Ruby P. It's "classy and of a certain age. The word that comes to mind is 'mature,'" she said.

YOU SUPPORT DONALD TRUMP

FOOD
Pataki suggested Trump supporters nosh on **Cheetos**. "That orange powder stains your skin," she said.

DRINK
Trumpsters should wash down their salty snacks with **milk**, said reader Vidya K. American dairy farmers say all the deportations the Donald wants to do could affect their business, which relies on immigrant workers. And Trump once called a lawyer who had to take a break for breastfeeding "disgusting."

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COLD FACTS OF TOMATO STORAGE Any Italian grandmother will warn that putting tomatoes in the fridge will compromise their flavour. Well now, science can back that up. According to a new study, cooling tomatoes below 12 degrees Celsius stops them from making some of the substances that contribute to their taste. With the new detailed knowledge of how that happens, "maybe we can breed tomatoes to change that," said researcher Denise Tieman of the University of Florida in Gainesville.

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ROSE REISMAN THE SAVVY EATER

THIS WEEK: Sandwiches

Think an occasional indulgence in a stacked sandwich is OK? The colossal amount of calories and fat say otherwise.

PICK THIS

Quarter Chicken Dinner from Swiss Chalet

White meat with skin served with a side garden salad, light Italian dressing, multigrain roll and chalet sauce.
Calories 490
Fat 15.5g

SKIP THIS

The Rotisserie Beef Messy Stacked from Swiss Chalet

Rotisserie beef, grilled baguette, cheddar cheese, tomato, coleslaw, fries and seasoned mayo served with fries, coleslaw, a pickle and chalet sauce.
Calories 1738
Fat 85.5g

HERE'S WHY

Equivalent to 4 servings of Honey Garlic Chicken from Manchu Wok in fat.
The Rotisserie Beef Messy Stacked sandwich tops a beef sandwich with coleslaw, mayo, cheese and fries, while serving it up with an additional large side of fries and creamy coleslaw. The result is a total overdose of calories and fat, about your entire day's worth! In fact, the entire Quarter Chicken Dinner is lighter than the beef sandwich itself, and that's before counting any of the additional sides and condiments! Stick to the Quarter Chicken Dinner to avoid a food hangover — your heart and hips will thank you!

LIQUID ASSETS

California wines want you to know they're old

As it closes in on the 250th anniversary of the opening of its first winery it must irk California to be lumped in with the gaggle of New World countries who wear the lack of consumer awareness regarding their winemaking histories like a badge of cool.

Proving my point is the number of Golden State wineries who have started bragging about their origins. Fetzer Vineyards is a winery that I'm betting was bottling their first vintage in 1968 to the tune of The Beatles White Album, which was released in the fall of the same year. A lot has happened to Fetzer in nearly five decades. Bought by Chile's Concha y Toro in 2011, its wines, while keeping their personalities firmly Californian, have developed a relaxed drinkability thanks to the influence of the Chileans. Fetzer's 2014 Valley Oaks Cabernet Sauvignon ($11.95-$15.99) has a mix of black fruit and balanced tannins.

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APPLE & CHEDDAR

An easy hors d'oeurve that guests will think you sweat over

Ricardo Larrivée
Torstar News Service

If you're anything like me, you're drowning in apples this time of year. That's the trouble with being a dad of three: When family traditions include an annual apple-picking outing, that means three times the apples! Now, I love apples as much as the next guy, but I'm always on the lookout for interesting ways to prepare them. That's why I developed this recipe: It's fast, easy and perfect for your next soirée, whether as a starter for a sit-down get-together or hors d'oeuvre for a cocktail party. The recipe plays on the classic Canadian combo of apple and cheddar, but here I've reversed the order, making this a savoury, cheesy treat Best of all, your guests will never guess it took you less than 15 minutes.

Apple and Cheddar Tart
Prep: 15 minutes
Cooking: 20 minutes
Serves: 6

Ingredients:

- 1/2 lb(225g) store-bought puff pastry, thawed
- 3 tbsp (45 mL) crème fraîche or sour cream
- 1/2 Cortland apple, unpeeled, cored and thinly sliced
- 1 tbsp chopped fresh chives
- 3 1/2 oz (100 g) cheddar cheese, thinly sliced

Directions:

1. With the rack in the lowest position, preheat the oven to 400°F (200 °C). Line a baking sheet with parchment paper.

2. On a lightly floured surface, roll out the puff pastry into a 10-inch (25 cm) square.

With a fork, prick the entire surface of the dough. Place the dough on the baking sheet.

3. Spread the cream on the entire surface of the dough. Cover with the apple slices. Sprinkle with the chives and top with the cheese slices.

4. Bake for about 20 minutes or until the cheese is golden brown. Let cool. Cut and serve as hors-d'oeuvres or an appetizer.

This apple and cheddar tart serves six. CONTRIBUTED

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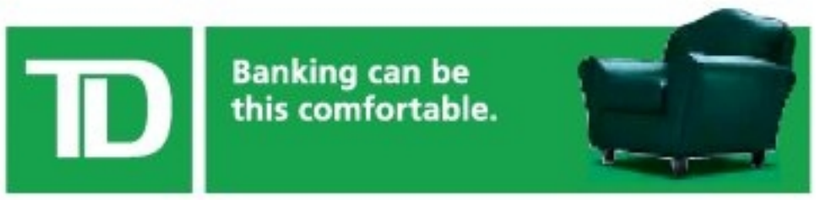

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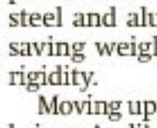
Audi's latest SUV offering sure to please



Jonathan Yarkony
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As little as 12 years ago, Audi didn't have an SUV, but in 2009 the Q5 took the small premium crossover segment by storm.

What was it about the Q5 that so resonated with luxury shoppers and took the brand to new heights, becoming a global bestseller in the process? Aside from Audi's impeccable interiors and solid, reassuring driving feel, the Q5 had just enough cargo and passenger space for family living, and a range of powertrains that offered consumers their choice of efficiency or a bit of excitement along with their utility.

The new Q5 is based on Audi's modular MLB platform, and although that is the same architecture underpinning the new A4, Audi engineers claimed the Q5 will have more in common with the next-generation. The Q5 grows in every direction, but as with any new Audi, the platform is a mix of high-tensile steel and aluminum aimed at saving weight and increasing rigidity.

Moving up to the driver's seat brings Audi's strengths back to the forefront, where one can focus on the materials, craftsmanship and seamless integration of technology.

With the level of technology coming into play, it's increasingly important to solve the myriad ergonomic and interaction issues, and Audi's Multi-Media Interface and Virtual Cockpit offer several ways for one to operate navigation, audio and car systems. My favourite is the steering-wheel thumb wheel and buttons on the left spoke, which let you access the most common functions without lifting a hand off the wheel. The latest addition to Audi's MMI is the touchpad, which recognizes your scribbles and translates them into letters when you input information for route guidance or a contact and is said to offer tablet-like pinch and zoom control, though not in the models we sampled.

Although the Q5 will be loaded to the roof rack with driver-assistance systems, the focus of the event was its essential driving quality in a variety of settings. Exploring the southern tip of Mexico's Baja Peninsula, we set off from our resort on some intermediate highways, skirted the edges of a small mountain range, climbing the twisting and sweeping curves, picking our way through the narrow cobbled streets of a small rural town, cutting across the landscape on a dirt road, driving onto a sandy beach for photo ops and then cruising back on a highway that saw us reaching and holding autobahn speeds. It's hard to say whether the chassis or the engine was the star, because both were so impressive in every way, and perhaps it was their seamless cooperation that sets a new benchmark.

In the end, the Q5 nails every point that a small luxury SUV needs to and is sure to make many shoppers happy.

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THE BASICS
Engine: 2.0L turbo four-cylinder
Transmission: Seven-speed S tronic dual-clutch auto
Power: 252 hp, 273 lb-ft of torque
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Making the three-wheeled e-car a Reality

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TELEVISION

The Grand Tour promises show full of hijinks

After teasing Top Gear fans for what seems like ages, the former hosts of the popular motoring show have released the first official trailer for The Grand Tour. The new show, which stars Jeremy Clarkson, James May, and Richard Hammond, is an Amazon original series and is highly anticipated because the of how poorly the revamped Top Gear has performed. JODI LAI/AUTOGUIDE.COM

ELECTRIC CARS

Henrik Fisker launches new company

Henrik Fisker is making another attempt at producing electric vehicles. Now that Fisker Automotive is officially dead, with its new Chinese owners renaming it Karma, Henrik Fisker has created Fisker, Inc. and plans to show off a premium, all-electric vehicle in the second half of 2017. In an interview with Bloomberg, Fisker said the new vehicle will be a "spiritual successor" to the Fisker Karma originally launched in 2012. JASON SIU/AUTOGUIDE.COM

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4 CARS MINI'S HEAD OF DESIGN COVETS

MINIs are not only quirky and fun to look at, but they're also a blast to drive. It's rare that a car can avoid looking aggressive and still portray a sporty personality, but that's just part of MINI's charm. Christopher Weil, the head of MINI design, says he currently drives a grey Countryman, but gave us an eclectic list of his all-time favourite designs. **SAMI HAJ-ASSAD/AUTOGUIDE.COM**

1 Lamborghini Miura

The go-to choice for designers and car lovers is the Lamborghini Miura. The beautiful coupe is held as the benchmark for design and performance and is often referenced as the first true supercar. This mid-engined Italian beauty is on everyone's list.

2 Toyota 2000GT

Here's an interesting choice. The Toyota 2000GT was one of the first Japanese supercars and a beautiful, Asian interpretation on the Jaguar E-Type. It featured a long hood and short deck, and under the hood was an awesome 2.0-litre six-cylinder engine. Nowadays, it's seen as the first truly desirable and collectible Japanese vehicle, with examples selling at auction for over $1-million. Only 351 of these cars were ever made and some Boomers may remember the Toyota as Bond's ride in You Only Live Twice, even though that model had to have its roof lopped off to accommodate Sean Connery's 6"2 frame. It's rare to hear the Japanese car mentioned by designers, but its inclusion here shows Weil's appreciation of cars from all over the world.

3 Porsche 914

Another oddball choice here. Rarely considered as a high-performance vehicle, the 914 was developed in collaboration with a then-rival: Volkswagen.

4 Porsche 930

Weil owned and sadly got rid of a Porsche 930, but he fact that this designer even lived with a 1970's 911 Turbo shows his true automotive enthusiasm.

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Jays' steep climb begins

Bruce Arthur

They're probably not coming back, right? No, put that out of your mind. Coming back from 0-3 in a best-of-seven series is probably hopeless, like never losing a sock in the laundry, or beating traffic. Nobody ever really beats traffic. In Toronto, traffic beats you.

But the Toronto Blue Jays, facing elimination in the American League Championship Series, beat Cleveland 5-1 in Game 4. They now trail 3-1, which is better than 3-0, if not by a lot. Trailing 3-1 just means you put off the execution until Wednesday, maybe.

"We're in the same boat as today," said reliever Jason Grilli. "If it means getting in the World Series, we've got to win every game."

"I mean, it definitely feels good to get a win," said catcher Russell Martin. "And that's how it starts. We won four in a row to start the playoffs, and I believe that we can do it."

I mean, what else can he say? One team has come back from 0-3 ever. But still in Game 4, Cleveland had to pitch Corey Kluber on short rest for the first time in his life and he lasted only 89 pitches. If there's a Game 7, he will have to do it again.

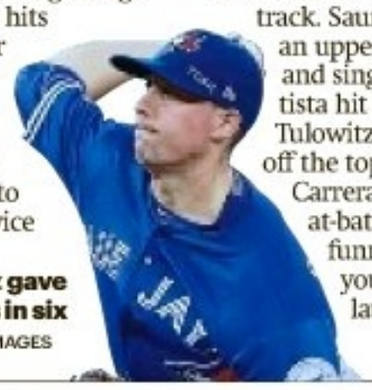
"I think seeing him so recently was good for us as well," said designated hitter Michael Saunders. "Understanding what his ball was doing. His stuff was as good as it's always been. (But) there's that familiarity."

Josh Donaldson opens the scoring with a solo home run during Game 4 of the American League Championship Series in Toronto on Tuesday. ELSA/GETTY IMAGES

Cleveland manager Terry Francona thought Kluber's legs got tired. It took until the third inning of Game 4, but Josh Donaldson smashed a two-out home run to left-centre, and the Jays held a lead over Cleveland for the first time in October. One inning later, with men at first and second, Ezequiel Carrera — "a prime-time player," according to shortstop Troy Tulowitzki — slapped at a first-pitch curveball, and it arced gently up over the infield but short of the outfield.

Tulowitzki read the play like a pro and scored from second to make it 2-0.

The two runs mattered in this one because starter Aaron Sanchez was cruising along. Cleveland's two hits came from their No. 8 and 9 hitters. Sanchez is a killer, and it probably would have been nice to see him start twice in this series.



Aaron Sanchez gave up just two hits in six innings. GETTY IMAGES

"You don't need to be better than he was today," Martin said.

There were other signs of life from the bats. Edwin Encarnacion hit one to the track. Saunders crushed an upper-deck slider foul and singled twice. Bautista hit one to the track. Tulowitzki hit a single off the top of the wall. Carrera had excellent at-bats. Baseball is a funny game, though you don't always laugh.

"Good teams are always lucky," said Saunders, quite seriously.

And in the seventh, they loaded the bases when Cleveland decided on facing Edwin rather than Donaldson. Encarnacion promptly spanked a single up the middle that scored two. Didn't try to do too much. A cushion, finally. The Jays hadn't been able to breathe all series long.

So, now what? Cleveland will start a rookie named Ryan Merritt Wednesday. He pitched 11 innings this year. He's left-handed, and doesn't throw hard. Toronto will counter with Marco Estrada. Hmm.

It's probably not happening. Three more wins is a mountain.

But ... Cleveland is trying to advance to the World Series with two starting pitchers, plus a bullpen that can lay waste to the Earth. It's a tightrope, not a paved road to the centre of town.

"Why not us?" Grilli asked.

I guess we'll see.

Bruce Arthur is a sports columnist with the Toronto Star

GAME 4 In Toronto

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MLB PLAYOFFS

Hill leads Dodgers to shutout of Cubs

Fourteen months removed from independent ball on Long Island, Rich Hill pitched the Los Angeles Dodgers into a 2-1 NL Championship Series lead.

Hill allowed two hits in six innings to beat Cy Young Award winner Jake Arrieta, Yasmani Grandal hit a two-run homer in the fourth inning and the Dodgers defeated the Chicago Cubs 6-0 Tuesday night.

"I knew there was going to be an opportunity to get back to the big leagues as long as I stayed healthy and I felt strong," he said. "Just perseverance. That's it. Just continue to keep pushing through no matter what, even if you feel like you're almost ready to give up. You never know, that next door you open might be the one that makes the difference."

After winning a big-league high 103 games during the regular season and sparking belief they could win the World Series for the first time since 1908, the Cubs have been shut out in consecutive games for the first time this year, managing just six hits — five of them singles.

Game 4 will be played on Wednesday night.

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St. Louis Blues right-winger Ryan Reaves collides with Canucks centre Markus Granlund during the first period on Tuesday night at Rogers Arena. Vancouver sealed the win 2-1 in OT. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Foxes stay perfect

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

Mahrez makes it 3 wins from 3 in Europe for Leicester

Leicester's decision to prioritize the Champions League over the Premier League is being vindicated.

Riyad Mahrez made it three wins out of three for Leicester in Group G on Tuesday, clinching a 1-0 victory over FC Copenhagen that left his team requiring only one win from its final three games to make the knockout phase.

Halfway through the group stage, Leicester holds a five-point lead over Copenhagen and FC Porto. Danish league leader Copenhagen had been unbeaten in 21 matches in all competitions before being sunk by Mahrez's first-half goal.

"The most important thing was to be solid because Copenhagen is difficult to play against; all the players are strong and physical," Mahrez said. "But we did it."

Mahrez had been restored to the starting lineup after being rested on Saturday at Chelsea, only coming off the bench in a 3-0 loss.

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Riyad Mahrez GETTY IMAGES

IN BRIEF

Drogba returns to Impact after abruptly leaving the team

Didier Drogba has returned to the Montreal Impact after leaving for one game and will remain for the rest of the season, team president Joey Saputo said Tuesday.

Drogba, who was fined for missing a game without permission, asked to be taken out of the lineup when he was told by coach Mauro Biello that he would not be in the starting 11 for a 2-2 draw Sunday with Toronto FC.

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- 1 tsp ginger, minced
- 1 tsp cumin
- 1 tsp ground coriander
- 1 tsp curry powder
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 x 14 oz. pumpkin purée (not pumpkin pie filling!)
- 2 cups low-sodium vegetable or chicken stock
- 1 cup water
- 1 x 14 oz. coconut milk (Try lite for all the flavour and less fat)

Directions

1. Warm olive oil in a large pot over medium heat. Add your minced onions and garlic until they begin to soften and your kitchen starts smelling great. Now add all of the spices. Stir them into the onion mix and let them cook for a few minutes. Keep stirring so they don't start to stick to the bottom of your pot.

2. Empty your pumpkin purée into the pot and give it a mix with the onions and spices. Now add the stock, water and coconut milk. Let simmer for about 20 minutes, stirring occasionally. Don't let it get too hot or the coconut milk may split.

3. Turn off the heat and allow the soup to cool a bit before either putting into the blender in batches to purée or just giving a whiz with a submersion blender. Warm again and serve.

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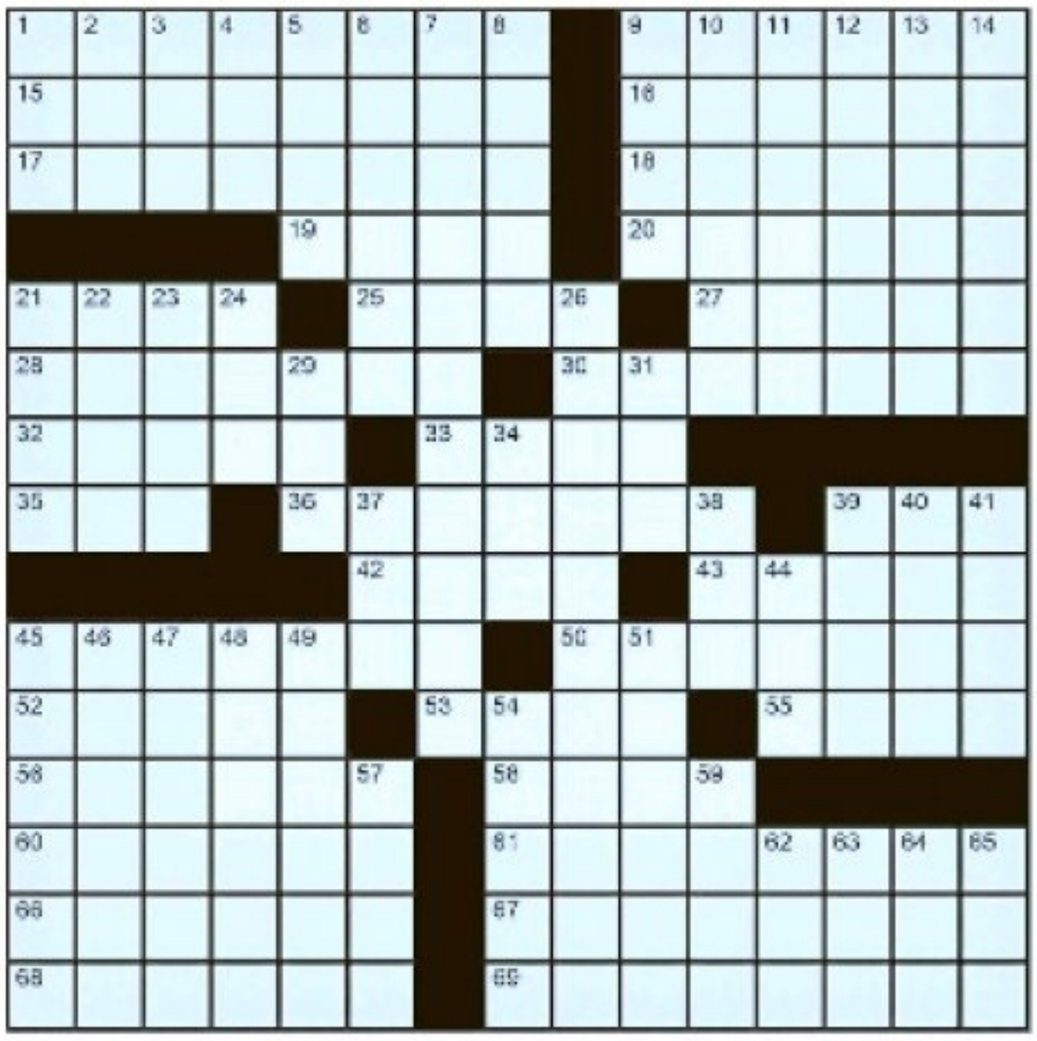

ACROSS
1. Province like Prince Edward Island
9. Shade of red in Paris
15. Most which can be attained: 2 wds.
16. British pop singer Ms. Moyet
17. 1918 Puccini opera, Suor __
18. Relay the news
19. Cinch
20. Slender
21. Livelinesses
25. "Take __ 'J' Train" by Duke Ellington and His Famous Orchestra
27. Bitter-__ (Diehard)
28. Is employed: 3 wds.
30. Those de-sudsing
32. Tea or soya milk or Pepsi
33. __ mater
35. Journey's famous lead singer ...his initials-sharers
36. Canadian musician Ms. McKennitt
39. Wager
42. Geraint's wife in Arthurian legend
43. "Key __" (1948)
45. Drafting tool
50. Lot of leaves
52. Circular
53. Priory of __, in "The Da Vinci Code" (2006)
55. Dick Tracy's beloved
56. Captivate, States-style
58. Holy __ ("Dragons' Den" deal-getting cereal)
60. Turkey's capital
61. "I'm so glad I live in a world where there are __." - Anne of Green Gables
66. Transferred, as land
67. Food Labels: Best Before... = __ Avant...
68. Strife
69. Embraces, as a cause
21. High degrees, for short
22. Wild West's Wyatt
23. Greek alphabet letters
24. Diego's partner
26. Defence... CAF = Canadian __ __
29. Alphabetic trio
31. Mr. Somerhalder
34. Floral souvenir
37. Poet's 'over'
38. Fully
39. Type of hillside
40. __ on (Incites)
41. Pumps points
44. River islet
45. Bottom-of-shoes designs
46. 14-line poem
47. __ Oats Company
48. Like an as-yet-to-be-created creation
49. Treasures
51. How breaking stories might develop: 3 wds.
54. "__ in peace."
57. Gnarlies!
59. __ shirt (Preppy top)
62. __-ray player
63. Initials-sharers of Charlie Sheen's famous brother
64. Regret
65. Non-Jr.s

DOWN
1. Kingston Trio lettered song
2. "Dream" by Priscilla __
3. Mr. Philbin, to pals
4. Island: French
5. Some poetic contractions
6. "_ _ _ _" (Visiting-Canada's-largest-city tourist's response to "Where are you?")
7. 'New York Stories' is this Canadian jazz singer/songwriter's latest album: 2 wds.
8. A day's march for troops
9. "Drive" '80s rock band
10. Onze, in Oshawa
11. Matures in the Produce Department
12. Opera, Tristan und __
13. One readying to alphabetize
14. Inputs information

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
Think before you speak today, especially to partners and close friends, because you might blurt out something you later regret. Be aware of this. Count to three before you open your mouth.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Your work routine will be interrupted today. It might be because you feel feisty and independent about something and refuse to do it. Or perhaps high-tech equipment breaks down.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
This is an accident-prone day for your kids, so be vigilant. You also can expect social plans to suddenly change. Everything is up for grabs today!

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Be diplomatic with family members to avoid an argument. However, this is an accident-prone day at home. Small appliances might break down, or minor breakages could occur.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
This is a mildly accident-prone day for you. It's also the classic day for you to shoot from the hip and say something that you later wish you did not. Therefore, think before you speak!

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Today you might find money, or you might lose money. Ditto for your possessions. Something about your finances is unpredictable.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Guard against knee-jerk reactions today. Be like the wise carpenter: Measure twice, cut once.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You are restless, edgy and nervous today. This might be subconscious or you might be aware of it. Avoid doing anything that is upsetting or nerve-racking.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
A younger friend might surprise you today by doing something reckless or by suggesting something unusual. Be careful, because today is a crapshoot!

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
This is not a good day to ask for permission or approval from bosses. In fact, they might say something that upsets you. Don't quit your day job.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Travel plans will be changed, cancelled or rescheduled today. Likewise, classes and schedules pertaining to higher education will be unreliable.

Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Stay on top of your banking and money needs, because something unexpected might affect your finances. Checks could bounce. An important bill might be due. Is the posse after you?

CONCEPTIS SUDOKU by Dave Green

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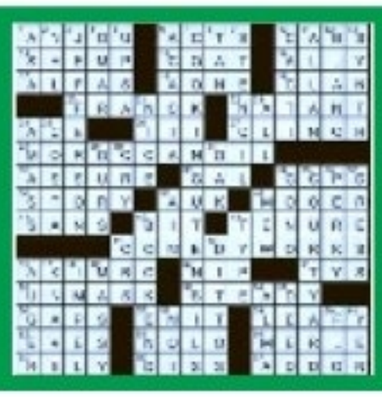

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Changes coming to SkyTrain October 22

TransLink's integrated transit network has seen a lot of changes over the years. Soon, there's going to be an exciting new change—the Evergreen Extension extends the Millennium Line to Coquitlam through Burnaby and Port Moody! Operating pattern changes will begin in advance of the Evergreen Extension opening as part of our testing process.

What are the key changes?

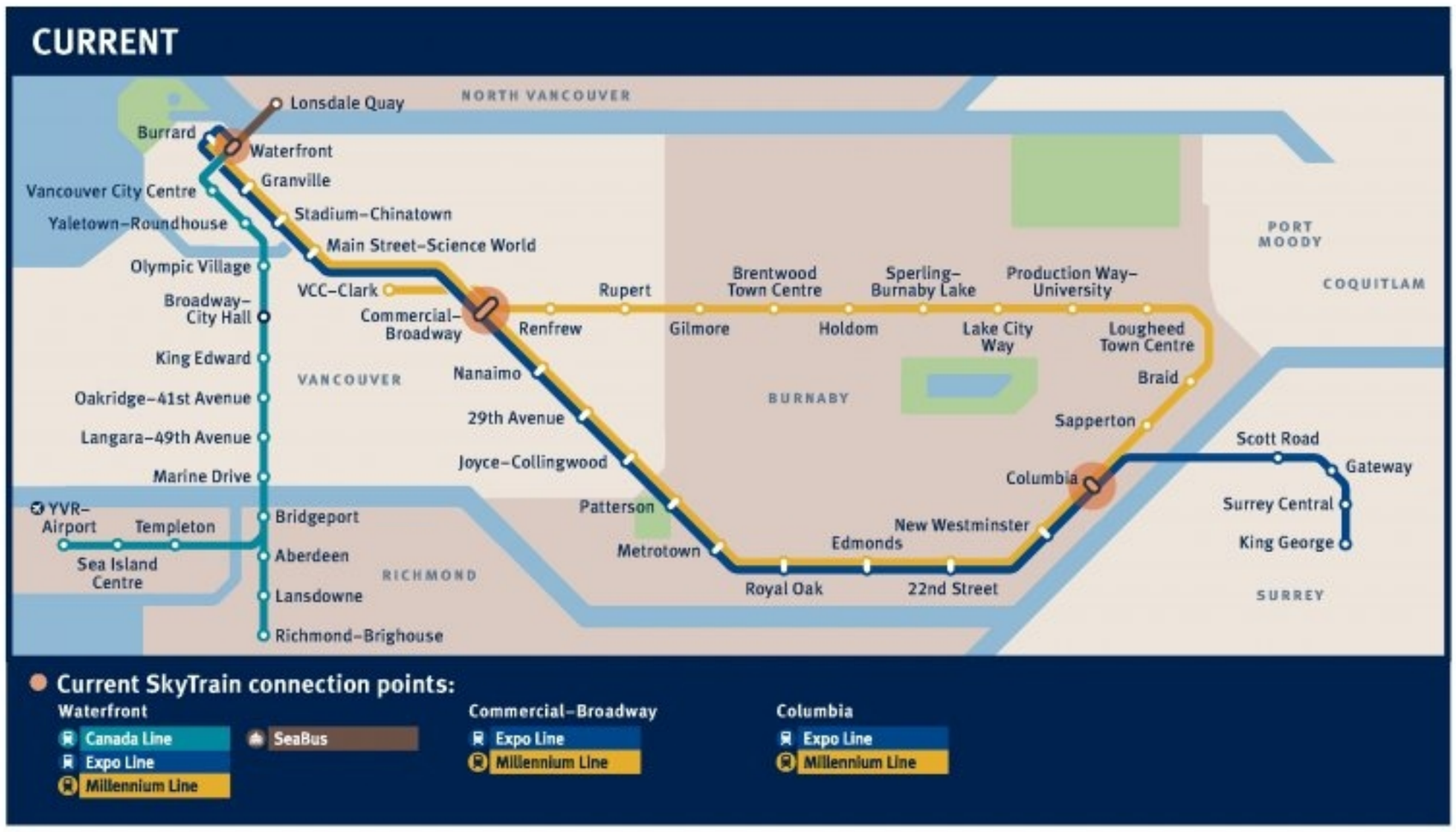
1. The Expo Line will now have two routes. One route will continue to travel between Waterfront Station and King George Station.

2. A second Expo Line route will run between Waterfront Station and Production Way–University Station.

3. The Millennium Line will no longer travel to/from Waterfront Station. Instead, it will now run between VCC–Clark Station and Lougheed Town Centre (continuing on to the Evergreen Extension when it's open).

Did you know?

Once the Evergreen Extension opens, our SkyTrain network will become the longest, driverless, automated rapid transit system in the world.



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